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A system and method for generating digitized documents for a digital environment, having at least one scanner, a local operator control unit, and a management unit connected to the scanner or scanners. The management unit is provided with an input unit for receiving, from the digital environment, a request for a digitized document; a warning device for communicating a request for a digitized document to at least one scanner; a receiving unit for receiving from a scanner an acceptance of a request selected via the operator control unit; and an allocation unit whereby, in response to the acceptance, a scan order for generation of the digitized document requested in the said selected request is allocated to the scanner which sent the acceptance. This enables incoming scan orders to be held until a scanner is ready to execute them, without in any way interfering with current scanning processes.

(Fig. 1)